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In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed below and on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of References (1) and (2) are also enclosed.

- (1) WO 02/023403 A2
- (2) WO 02/073888 A1
- (3) U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0029086 A1

References (1) to (3) were cited during prosecution of a Great Britain patent application corresponding to the subject application. A copy of the Great Britain Search Report, dated April 29, 2003, is also enclosed.

Inasmuch as the subject application has not yet received a first Office Action, it is believed that this Information Disclosure Statement is timely. See 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(3). Accordingly, the Examiner is urged to study this information in its entirety and

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